

ER'S JURY

Efforts to Fix Liability for Iroquois Fire.

HELD IN FIVE

AND DOLLARS BOND.

Building Commission and Fire Marshal Held to Answer...

The rounding up by the coroner's jury for the Iroquois horror...

was not placed upon the charge security for his...

was arrested at his residence and brought to...

ents Give Bonds.

THREECENT FARE.

and Empowered by the States Court.

Jan. 26.—Judge Wing of the States circuit court...

is to hold until the claim of the company...

MENT AFFAIRS.

Research in Relation to Panama.

Jan. 26.—At the cabinet...

TO DEATH.

Cremated in an Ohio Town.

Jan. 26.—Three children...

SUFFERING.

But Susquehanna Gorge Holds.

Jan. 26.—Floods in Pennsylvania...

and Nervous.

Jan. 26.—A landslide...

IOWA MANUFACTURERS.

Aggregate Capital of \$2,000,000 Represented at Des Moines.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 26.—Fifteen thousand manufacturing establishments having an aggregate capital exceeding \$200,000,000 are represented at the first annual convention of the Iowa Manufacturers' association...

The purpose of the present meeting, in addition to laying plans for increasing the membership and influence of the association, is to discuss those bills now pending before the legislature...

RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

Work of Distributing the Gifts of the Millionaire Slowly Moving.

New York, Jan. 26.—As a result of Dr. G. R. Parkins' tour of South Africa, New Zealand and Australia, where he had been distributing Rhodes scholarships, 75 students will be in residence at Oxford next year...

They will hail from the countries already mentioned, and from the United States Canada and Germany.

PARKER MAY ESCAPE.

Forger's Mother Still Sticks to Her Erring and Convicted Son.

Portland, Jan. 26.—An appeal will probably be entered in the case of T. W. Parker, forger, under conviction at Portland and facing a long sentence in the Oregon penitentiary...

According to Parker's friends, the plan is to enter an appeal and when the new trial comes off to have matters arranged with the prosecuting witnesses...

TILLAMOOK SHERIFF KILLS HIMSELF

WORRIED OVER AN IMAGINARY SHORTAGE.

Had Been Seriously Ill and Was Temporarily Insane—Was Serving His Third Term and Was Immensely Popular—Errors in Accounts Said to Have Made Books Appear Short—Prominent in Lodge Circles.

Tillamook, Jan. 26.—A Journal special says: "Sheriff Henry H. Alderman, of Tillamook county, shot and killed himself in his barn here yesterday morning.

Alderman was very popular, as he was serving his third term as sheriff. He claimed that the apparent shortage in his accounts was due to errors in bookkeeping.

Kansas Dairymen in Session. Topeka, Kas., Jan. 26.—The Kansas State Dairy association began its annual meeting in Topeka today in connection with the mid-winter exposition.

Woman on Trial for Murder. Newark, N. J., Jan. 26.—The case of Mrs. Catherine Ray, indicted for murder, was called for trial today before Chief Justice Gummere.

On Trial for Murder. Jasper, Ind., Jan. 26.—The Howard Tate murder case was called for trial here today.

WIFE MURDER AND SUICIDE

John T. Brown Cuts His Wife's Throat, Shoots Her Through the Heart and Then Kills Himself.

According to Notes Found, and Other Indications, Both Crimes Were Premeditated by Both Victims—Letter Found Says There is Another Man in the Case

J. T. Brown and Wife Had Lived in Pendleton Several Months, Were Popular as Far as Their Acquaintance Went, and the Tragedy is a Shock and Astonishment to All Who Knew Them, and to the Entire City—Apparent Deliberation and Purpose Characterized Every Detail of the Horror.

Mr. Smith: Mrs. Brown and I have got tired of life and you will find us on the hill south or southeast of here. Please see that my effects reach my mother at Reinbeck, Iowa. Address Mrs. M. A. Brown. Yours truly, John T. Brown. This act was voluntary with both. Bert Whitman can explain.

This morning at 9 o'clock, Sheriff T. D. Taylor was handed the letter printed above by E. L. Smith, who notified him that he was afraid Mr. and Mrs. John T. Brown, who were rooming at his home had killed themselves, and a short time after they were found side by side in their blood on top of the hill, southeast of town, out under the open sky.

The man had cut his wife's throat, making an ugly gash in the left side of her neck about three inches in length, penetrating to the bone. He had then shot her through the heart with a small 22-calibre revolver, placed the second note quoted above, scrawled on a sheet of note paper under her body, covered her with his overcoat, and then lying by her side had sent a bullet through his own brain by shooting himself in the right temple.

The body of the woman was found resting on her back, where she lay as peacefully as though in her bed at home. The man was by her side, lying on his back, with the pistol pressed against his temple. One shot had been fired into his head, after which he had evidently with his last effort cocked the weapon again, as though afraid he had not completed his task.

The bodies were taken in charge by the coroner and removed to the undertaking parlors of Baker & Folsom, where they were prepared for the inquest.

Browns Were Newcomers. Mr. and Mrs. Brown were newcomers to this city, having reached here from Iowa about three months ago. He was employed as teacher for the McKay school, while his wife was working in the household of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith, who reside in the large white house on the hill southeast of the city. They seemed to be quiet and contented, and were saving all that they made. Mrs. Brown was paying for the board of both by her efforts in the Smith household, and they were putting away the salary earned by Mr. Brown as fast as received. They were young people, apparently about 30 or 35 years of age, and the woman was good looking and had a refined face and manner. She was studying under the tutelage of her husband to fit herself for a position in the schools, and seemed to be cheerful and nappy. As far as known there was no trouble of any kind between her husband and herself.

Left House in the Night. Last night Mr. Brown came home from his school as usual, and after dinner he and his wife went to the play, "Human Hearts," at the Frazier, he having bought tickets during the day. After the play they returned to their room about 12 o'clock and remained there until perhaps 2 o'clock, when they were heard to leave the house and did not return.

This morning when Mrs. Brown did not come down stairs, Mrs. Smith went to the room to see if any word had been left in explanation, and found the letter addressed to Mr. Smith, telling what to expect. She telephoned to Mr. Smith, who turned the letter over to the sheriff, and the bodies were found on the top of the high hill, where they had gone to meet their death. Under the body of the woman and covered with her blood until but part of it could be read, were two sheets of note paper telling of the voluntary nature of the act.

Various Farewell Messages. In the pockets of the overcoat which the man had spread over the dead body of his wife were found letters addressed to Mrs. M. S. Whitman, Mrs. M. A. Brown and to the local lodge of the I. O. O. F. Under the man was the razor, wrapped in a bloody handkerchief. The knees of the man were covered with dirt, as though he had knelt by the side of his wife and held her until she had ceased her struggles, after which he had lain down on his face close by her side, with his head resting on her outstretched arm and met his death.

E. L. Smith, at whose home Mr. and Mrs. Brown had been rooming for some time, says that as far as could be seen there was no lack of harmony between the couple. Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Brown told the family that she and her husband intended to celebrate her 25th birthday by going to the show in the evening.

Another Man in the Case. This morning a letter was found in the stove in the room used by

Brown and his wife that casts a different light on the subject. The letter was written by Mrs. Brown to her brother Tom, and told him that by the time he received the letter she would be dead. That a crisis had come in her life that only tragedy could settle, and that she had decided to end it all. She had found a man in this state whom she loved better than her husband. Here the letter ended abruptly and had been torn into pieces and thrown into the stove.

From this and other clues that the officers are working on it is now thought that there is another man than the husband in the case, and some say that the husband had killed his wife, not with her consent, and had then shot himself.

The Fremont Lodge, No. 66, I. O. O. F., at St. Anthony, Idaho, has been telegraphed to for instructions concerning the disposal of the bodies.

Coroner's Jury Impaneled. The coroner, W. C. Cole, empaneled a jury consisting of Robert Laing, Harry Fowler, Walter Wells, A. L. Knight, E. T. Wade and Mr. Hoover, and took them to the scene of the tragedy. There, after viewing the bodies, they were allowed a recess until 1:30 in the afternoon, at which hour the inquest was held.

Owing to the fact that some witnesses who were wanted could not be found by that time, however, the inquest was postponed until 7 o'clock this evening.

What is Said of Them.

Bert Whitman, the name mentioned in the note found under the woman's body, was seen and said that he knew nothing that would cause them to do such an act. All that he knew about the couple was that they had lived at his mother's place for some time, while Mr. Brown taught school.

Judge Stephen A. Lowell knew them slightly, as Mrs. Brown had worked for Mrs. Lowell for some time.

They had come here from Rexburg, Idaho, and after being in the city for a short time Mrs. Brown had commenced to help Mrs. Lowell in the housework and was an excellent housekeeper.

The husband's health was poor, and he hesitated somewhat about teaching on that account. Mrs. Brown left that place in search of one where Mr. Brown could stay and she could work for the board of both. They had stayed at Will Patton's for a time, and then had gone to the home of E. L. Smith. They had driven across the plains from Nebraska in a wagon for the benefit of Mrs. Brown's health, which had been restored by the trip, and they were now working to secure a little home here and then send for Mr. Brown's mother to come and make her home with them.

RUSSIA DEPENDS ON KILLING TIME

EVASIVE ANSWERS TO GAIN TIME WITH.

Japan is Expected to Demand a Time Limit, and Lacking Satisfaction to, Then Declare War—England Stands Pat With American Demands.

London, Jan. 26.—Reports from the far east are again sinister. Dispatches to the Central News Bureau say Japan is actively continuing war preparations. Berlin advices say Russia in her reply to Japan goes no further than to admit enough to prolong the negotiations. It is believed Japan will not accept this course, but will either declare war or issue a time ultimatum.

Korea Will Remain Neutral.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The Korean minister called at the state department this morning and notified it that Korea, in the event of a Japanese-Russian war, will remain neutral. A dispatch from Berlin says officials are now confident of peace in the far east.

England Stands Pat.

Birmingham, Jan. 26.—The Post says British consuls will be appointed at Mukden and other Manchurian ports immediately to demonstrate British support of the new United States commercial treaty with China.

REFUSED INCREASE IN PAY.

John Mitchell Incensed Because It Was Not Done Unanimously.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 26.—A resolution raising Mitchell's pay to \$5,000 per year was passed by more than a two-thirds vote, but Mitchell, from the chair, declared the resolution killed. He said he would not accept the raise if there was the slightest opposition. The convention will probably adjourn sine die this evening.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

Bulls and Bears Engage in a Tremendous Struggle.

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Wheat opened at 89 1/2 and closed at 90. The market for a time this morning got away from Armour in a violent break. Mr. Armour bought 3,000,000 bushels, which fell at one time as low as 87. The weather conditions and foreign market aided the bulls and prevented a stampede.

COLORADO AND PENNSYLVANIA

Mine Horrors Under Entirely Different Conditions, But Great Loss of Life.

CAGE FULL OF MEN

FELL 1,500 FEET.

Crushed into an Unrecognizable Mass at the Bottom—Machinery of the Hoist Became Unmanageable—"Nearly Two Hundred" Men Met Death in the Cheswick Coal Mine—One Rescue Party Also Lost—Exact Cause of Explosion Never Be Known.

Victor, Col., Jan. 26.—Fourteen men were instantly killed this morning in the Stratton Independence mine by a falling cage.

The car became unmanageable in the ascent and crashed into the sheaves at the top, broke the cable and fell 1,500 feet. At the bottom was a sickening spectacle, it being almost impossible to identify any victim, as all were completely dismembered.

Fifteen Were Killed.

The dead are: W. F. Frazier, John Seback, Joseph Setherum, Edward Twigg, L. Wagoner, Henry Yeoman, Edward Smith, Joe Ovary, H. F. Brown, William Collins, J. Steward, Frank Cochran, L. Jackson, Harry Cogane and Charles Statton.

All Met Death.

The Pittsburg police guard the mouth of the shaft to restrain the relatives and friends. The inspectors announce as a result of their inspection this forenoon there is no hope whatever of saving the entombed. Inspector Bell returned from the mine at noon. He says the corpses are wedged in a mass in the north shaft as solidly as though rammed in.

The rescuers will string out in a long line, because when the barrier to the north shaft is broken through, a big rush of after-damp is expected. Twenty bodies were found in a heap between the bottom of the shaft and the entry.

Unless plans are changed, none of the bodies will be removed before nightfall, as the crowd around the entrance is immense.

Rescuing Party Killed.

Pittsburg, Jan. 26.—Of 184 entombed in the mines at Cheswick, but one has been rescued up to 8 o'clock. All others are believed to be dead. The entire rescuing party was also killed.

No Survivors.

Pittsburg, Jan. 26.—The report that another rescue party at Cheswick was entirely killed, is erroneous. The men all returned to the surface after vain attempts to penetrate the mine. The condition of the mine is such as to take days to recover the dead. None are believed to have survived.

The latest list issued by the company says 185 lamps were issued, thus leading to the belief that nearly 200 were killed.

The cause will probably never be known. The majority believed it was caused by the carelessness of some mither lighting his pipe. Work of rescue is still hampered by the lack of experienced men.

RETURNED FROM COLON.

Ordnance Expert Been Selecting Fortification Sites.

New York, Jan. 26.—Lieutenant-Colonel Shafer, the ordnance expert, returned from Colon this morning. He is supposed to have selected fortification sites.

Goes With the Game.

Ontario, Ore., Jan. 26.—In an altercation over the payment of checks in a faro game at 12 o'clock last night, Walter Lucky of Prineville, took five shots at R. R. Duffin, the dealer who beat a hasty retreat and escaped uninjured. Lucky is in custody.

Murder a Mystery.

Bedford, Ind., Jan. 26.—The Miss Schaffer murder is still a mystery. She will be buried at Elkhart today. Public memorial services are held here.

Warehouse Burned.

Louisville, Jan. 26.—Fire this morning destroyed the Goddard warehouse. Loss, \$300,000.

WHITAKER WRIGHT DROPS DEAD AFTER RECEIVING SENTENCE

London, Jan. 26.—Whitaker Wright was today found guilty of wrecking the London Globe Corporation, and sentenced to seven years' imprisonment. An hour afterward, while sitting with friends in the office of the warden of the city prison, awaiting transfer to Ludgate, he was stricken with heart failure and died.

Magnificent Spendthrift. He was regarded as the greatest swindler of the age. His victims lost in excess of \$10,000,000 in the collapse of the various companies he promoted. He organized 41 companies with a total capitalization of nearly \$112,000,000, all of which failed. He was a magnificent spend-

thrift and resided in America for many years.

Maintained His Innocence. Wright had been on trial but 12 days and the jury was out but a short time. The court in passing sentence severely criticized the promoter and gave him the maximum sentence.

Wright showed no signs of weakness or illness, but said coolly: "I am innocent of any intention to do wrong." He was led away into the ante-room and suddenly sank down. The doctors were sent for, but all their efforts were unavailing and he died an hour after sentence was passed.

Mine Workers' Election

Indianapolis, Jan. 26.—John

Mitchell was re-elected president, Lewis vice-president and Wilson secretary of the Mine Workers' Federation this morning.